

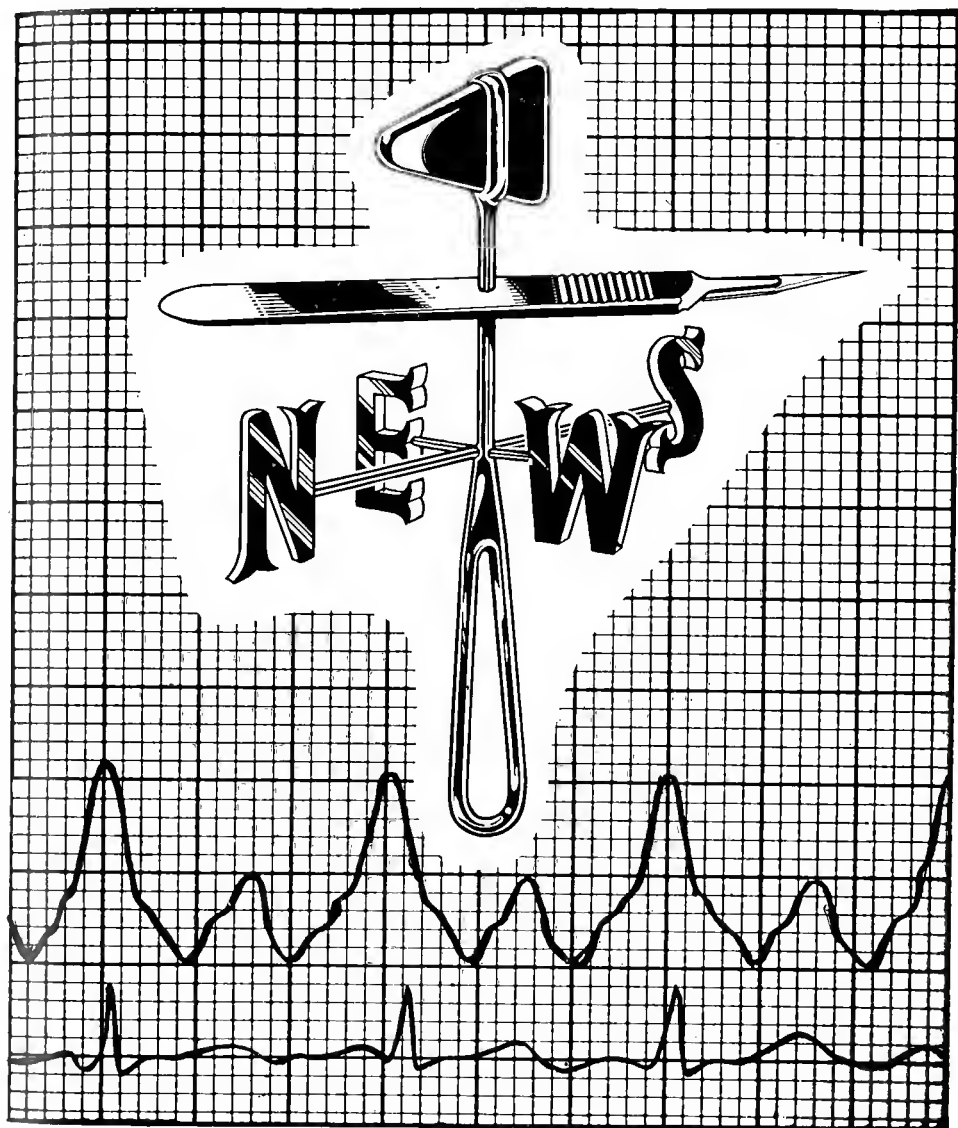
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7:30 p.m. Meeting

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From the Desk of the President

PAPER WORK

One of the biggest problems that we're facing today is the overwhelming burden of paper work with which we are all familiar.

To put paper work in perspective I think we have to look at the paper work that the doctor feels is essential for the good practice of medicine as opposed to the paper work which the third party and other interested people feel is necessary for their life styles to continue.

Basic to all doctors' practices is a written record of the patient's complaint, past history, family history, his findings on physical examination and then a continuing record of his illnesses and treatment as time goes by. The most complete records of this kind, I'm sure, exist in the doctors' offices, because the least number of people see these records. The most incomplete records are probably those in the hospital, where only technical data are recorded, because obviously these records are seen by too many people who have not taken the hypocritical oath.

I find that my records are becoming a little more scanty as the years go by. I no longer speculate in writing about interesting diagnoses that may occur in certain patients. I try to stick with what the patient has and let the speculation be born out in the future and recorded as it occurs.

Most business people feel that it costs \$3.00 to write a letter these days, and the average short medical report probably costs as much or more to produce for the benefit of someone other than the doctor.

Most reports which we are asked to create have no bearing on the clinical side of medicine. They are involved in remuneration for services, eligibility for benefits, or statements to be used as a basis for legal action. To those people who make their livelihood by using these latter forms, they are of course, quite necessary. To the doctor, they are a burden. They have increased the cost of medical care and perhaps this would be an area that could be investigated to reduce the cost of medical care. Insurance companies delight in forms with many questions pertaining to information not related to the present illness. Lawyers delight in multiple page reports and government agencies delight in having voluminous data recorded for their benefit at no cost to the agency.

Recently I have been asked if it is a policy to charge for filling out forms and I find that more and more doctors are charging for these forms which contribute nothing to medical care, but do allow the patient to be reimbursed for the care that he has received. Since many of the benefits received by the patient are quite low, the doctor finds that he is filling out a form which probably costs in excess of \$3.00 to complete and the patient is to get a benefit which will be only slightly more than this.

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Editorial

METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT

Now is the time for centralized Metropolitan Government to encompass our major city as well as the many surrounding smaller communities. No longer can a small community survive efficiently and effectively as an individual municipality. Not many years ago, a trip to places such as Canfield, Poland and even Campbell, were considered a moderate sized journey. Today these communities are just around the corner, and one frequently passes from one to the other so quickly that one is not aware of the transition from one community to the next. Years ago, the bulk of the people stayed within the community for their livelihood and had little concern as to what was occurring in a neighboring community and frequently had little interest. Today, however, with our modern means of communication and transportation, we are really one large Community. Most people in the outlying districts directly or indirectly obtain their livelihood from Youngstown. Not only do they work here, but frequently this is where they attend churches, shop and bank. For all practical purposes the only major function of the suburbs is for their homes.

In view of today's increasing complexities of day-to-day living and more and more closeness of individuals and the interrelationship of individuals, I believe it is necessary that more people give serious consideration to the metropolitan form of government. The current leading issues are air pollution, water pollution, housing, transportation, and education. Today, many of the communities already are depending upon Youngstown for many of their needs. Why not make this completely encompassing for economy and efficiency. We cannot have laws pertaining to air pollution restricted to Youngstown. This should encompass a very large area. This would be particularly true in relationship to crime, traffic, and structure of taxes, etc. It is extremely expensive and inefficient for the suburbs to develop their own sewerage disposal plants. It would appear more logical for substations to exist in the suburbs with large centralized sewerage plants located in or about the city prior to their discharge of clean water into the Mahoning River. With today's high crime incidence, a central regional police force would be more effective. Mobile units could more effectively control a wide area. In regards to transportation, there have been recent efforts to improve this on a multi-county basis. No one small area can effectively support an efficient public transportation system. Police and fire protection can also

From the Desk of the President (continued)

I believe that it would be fair to figure in the cost of keeping records as part of our fee, which is normally charged for medical care, but I feel that anything beyond this would be reimbursed by a fee for the report.

We should educate patients as to why there is a fee and in this way perhaps create pressure on the institutions that demand these reports to make them less voluminous, less frequent, and hopefully may even eliminate a good many of them all together. The other side of the coin would be to increase the general medical fees, to include the cost of this paper work and to take further criticism for increased medical costs as being the doctors' fault.

I believe this represents an area where common sense and good publicity can show where the cost actually is and permit a change in this type of activity so that it will not be reflected in medical cost but actually in administrative costs. This should be well publicized so that no one is in doubt about the actual reason for this part of the cost of medical care.

—Robert L. Jenkins, Jr., M.D.
President

Editorial (continued)

be centralized with substations in the suburbs, rather than having each individual community maintain a large police force. Those who live in the suburbs can appreciate their inadequate police protection, with frequently there being only a few officers on the entire police force. The disturbing factor is that they only work during the day and there is minimal coverage in the evenings, weekends, and holidays. The local suburbs would find it extremely expensive and perhaps impossible to support a modern crime lab, juvenile delinquency section in the law enforcement area, etc. Considerations should also be given to a revamping of our entire tax structure and to putting this on a regional, county, or multi-county basis, so that there would be more equality in the sharing of the costs of operating a government.

We can no longer take what we like or need or desire from the City of Youngstown and then move to the suburbs for whatever reason and turn our backs on the city that truly provides the industries, culture, and many other basic needs we all require.

Metropolitan government understandably is not something one may become involved in quickly and easily without difficulty. This would take considerable time and consideration. It would be wise for all the suburbs, as well as our City Government, to establish a committee to study the feasibility and the establishment of a centralized government. We should all strive for equality in responsibility as well as equality in the enjoyment of fruits of our labors. This would tend to be a truer form of democratic government rather than multiple independent, principalities, all of which are suffering from the high cost of modern operation. In the day of the computer, a small community cannot afford its facilities, whereas a metropolitan government could make good use of computers and apply them to many of our daily problems. I urge those of you who read this editorial to inquire into the feasibility of metropolitan government with local officials and to urge the establishment of a committee to immediately start a study.

—J. C. Melnick, M.D.
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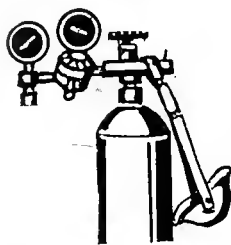
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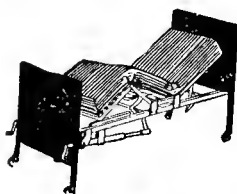
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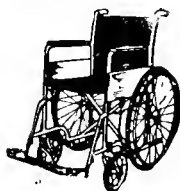
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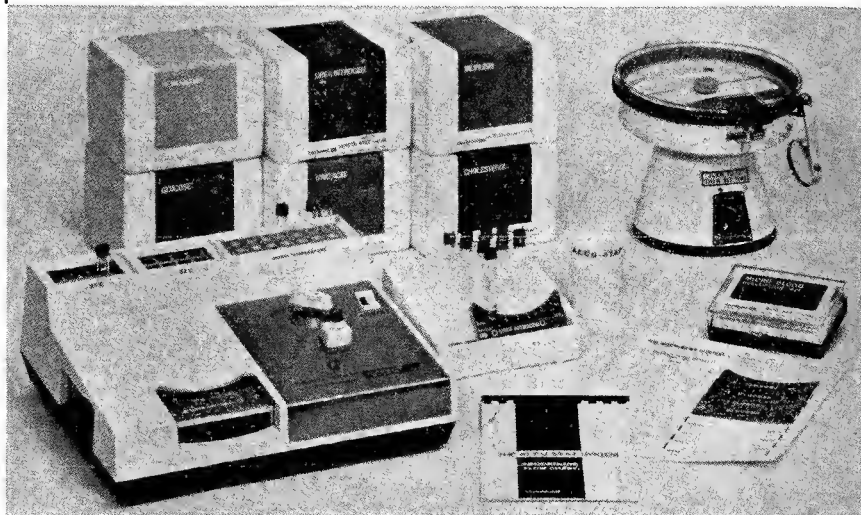
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As in the past, physicians will give free diabetes tests, provided such testing falls within their specialty. Delivery of Clinitest tablets, posters and pamphlets will be made by members of the Woman's Auxiliary. The ladies will also pick up unwanted drug samples at the same time, as part of their World Relief Program.

Dr. S. F. Gaylord, diabetes chairman, reminds all physicians of the importance of keeping a record of the total tests and the new positives, and to send the results to the Medical Society office for tabulation.

Members of the Diabetes Committee are: Dr. Gaylord, Dr. H. H. Ipp, Dr. M. M. Yarmy, Dr. J. B. Stechschulte and Dr. C. H. McGowen.

700 CROWD MEDICAL SCHOOL DINNER

An audience of 700 persons in attendance at the medical school dinner, September 1, attested to the enthusiasm and support of the people of this area for a medical school, and to the work of a citizen's committee for the medical school at Youngstown.

The speaker was Dr. John D. Millett, chancellor of the Ohio Board of Regents, whose talk on the need for physicians and how Ohio might provide them was well received. Master of ceremonies, and chairman of the citizen's committee, was Harry Meshel, a former student of Dr. Millett. He did an outstanding job in guiding the meeting, just as he has done in leading the committee for the past year.

The size of the crowd and its enthusiasm was the big story as reported by the Vindicator and the TV and radio stations. Chancellor Millett was reported impressed, as were many visiting dignitaries, including representatives from Kent State, Akron State and Cleveland State Universities. The Medical Society was well represented by a large number of physicians and their wives in attendance.

Members of the planning committee, in addition to chairman Meshel, are Dr. L. P. Caccamo, Al Shipka and Paul Mossman. Members of the citizen's committee are: Thornton Beeghly, William Brown, Howard Duncan, Gene Fedorchak, Atty. Edward Flask, Ben Fontanarosa, Warren P. Freed, John Gillespie, Atty. William Green, Jr., Dr. R. L. Jenkins, Phil Jones, Dr. Edward Kessler, Dr. James Kiriazis, Margaret Linton, Gordon Mitchell, Larry R. Nord, John Parimucha, Jr., A. L. Pugsley, Howard Rempes, Edward Skriner, Victor E. Shutrump, John T. Smith, P. A. Snyder, Jack Storey, Tom Travers, Al Tuber, Frank C. Watson, and Warren P. Williamson, III.

The dinner was held at the Mahoning Country Club. The audience also heard remarks by Paul Mossman, Al Shipka, Dr. Caccamo and Dr. Pugsley. The invocation and benediction was given by Rev. Norman W. Parr.

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*In Memoriam***HARLAN P. MCGREGOR, M.D.**
1902 - 1970

It was Thursday, Sept. 3rd, opening day for the 1970 Canfield Fair. The huge medical health tent loomed out of fog and darkness at the same spot it had occupied for eighteen previous fairs, its canvas stirring slightly under an early morning breeze. Inside the tent, twenty exhibits stood silently waiting in a blackness broken only by a stray beam coming in from a street light. A gentle rain fell, barely making a sound on the canvas. It was 5:00 a.m. All was quiet. All was in readiness and awaiting the sun, the crowds and the noise. At South Side Hospital, Dr. H. P. McGregor passed away.

The fair opened and the crowds came, but the sun was a little late. In the words of one of his colleagues, "Mac died this morning. No wonder it's raining."

Thus began an outpouring of love for the man who was so closely identified with the Canfield Fair medical exhibits for many years. A wreath was brought to the tent by some of his friends and was placed in the medical society exhibit to remain as a memorial to the man who had devoted his life to the practice of medicine, to the public he served, to education, to sports, to the medical profession and to his medical society.

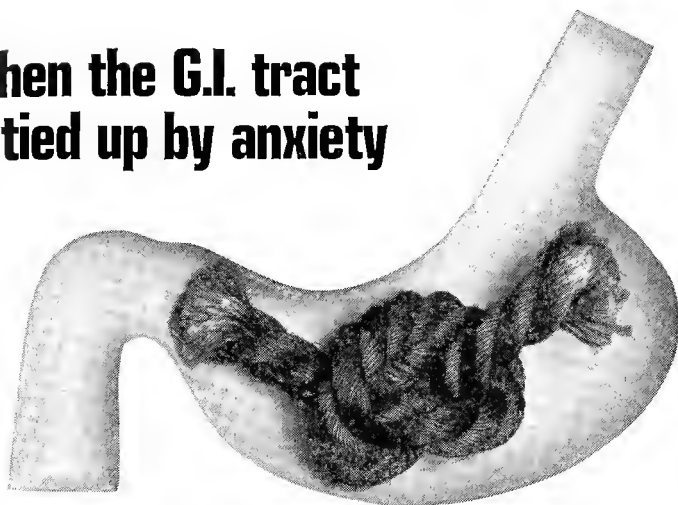
Dr. McGregor was president-elect of the Mahoning Chapter of the American Academy of General Practice. For a number of years he had been a member of the council of the Mahoning County Medical Society, as well as holding the office of Treasurer. He was a delegate to the Ohio State Medical Association. His work as Canfield Fair Chairman and Chairman of the Constitution Committee were outstanding contributions to the medical society. In recent years, he had taken a strong interest in the drug abuse problem and made himself available for numerous speaking engagements on this and other medical topics. Despite some decline in his health in recent years, Mac just wouldn't say "no" to any proper request for his time and talents.

He was honored by the Beaver Township Ruritan Club as Man of the Year in 1965. He served for 20 years on the North Lima School Board. He served as president and secretary of the North Lima Boosters and was instrumental in obtaining their athletic field. He organized the Tri-T Little League and served as president for 10 years. He was instrumental in organizing the Business and Industrial professional organization of North Lima and served many years as an officer.

Prior to entering medicine, he had had something of a career in the field of education. He was a high school teacher and athletic coach at North Lima and taught at McKinley Junior High in Columbus. After returning to Ohio State University for a medical degree, he came to North Lima and established an office in 1937, and remained there until his death.

His presence at medical society meetings will be sorely missed. He had a way of getting a discussion back to the point after it had become entangled in trivia. When Mac stood up to speak, everybody listened. Mahoning County has lost a good physician. The medical profession and laymen, alike, have lost a good friend. And every year, when there are crowds, noise, glitter and excitement at the Canfield Fair, he will be remembered.

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others involve patient sensitivity; some occur more frequently in patients with special medical problems, for example, mitral insufficiency or pheochromocytoma. Ophthalmos, hyperreflexia, akathisia, dyskinesia, sometimes lasting months or years; *grand mal* convulsions; altered cerebrospinal fluid proteins; cerebral edema; potentiation of C.N.S. depressants (opiates, analgesics, antihistamines, barbiturates, alcohol) and atropine, heat and phosphorus. Insecticides; headache, adynamic ileus, inhibition of ejaculation; reactivation of psychotic processes, catatonic-like states, hypotension (sometimes fatal; cardiac arrest); pancytopenia, thrombocytopenic purpura, eosinophilia; lactation, galactorrhea, gynecomastia, menstrual irregularities, false positive pregnancy tests; photosensitivity, itching, erythema, urticaria, eczema, exfoliative dermatitis; asthma, laryngeal edema, angioneurotic edema, anaphylactoid reactions; peripheral edema; reversed epinephrine effect; hyperpyrexia; pigmentary retinopathy; with prolonged administration of substantial doses, skin pigmentation, epithelial keratopathy, and lenticular and corneal deposits.

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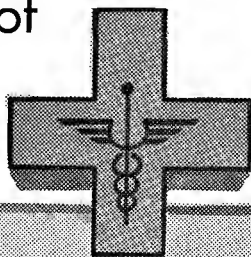
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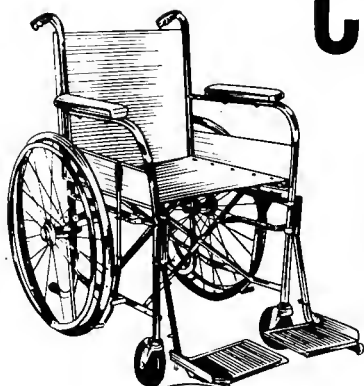
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- Oct. 12 9:00 a.m. Hematology Conf., Dr. W. N. Jensen, Aud., St. E.
4:00 p.m. Medical Seminar: "Survey of Surgically Remediable Cardiac Lesions", Drs. J. Turner & Guleria, Aud., YHA-SU.
- Oct. 13 6:30 p.m. Council, Mahoning County Medical Society, Hotel Ohio.
7:30 p.m. Dental Section Meeting, Aud., St. E.
- Oct. 15 8:00 a.m. CPC, St. E.
8:00 a.m. Peds., OB, YHA.
8:00 a.m. Med. Div., Guest Prof., Robert Post, M.D., Renologist, CWRU, Aud., YHA-SU.
9:00 a.m. Tumor Conference, Aud., St. E.
- Oct. 20 6:30 p.m. Mahoning County Medical Society, Hotel Ohio.
- Oct. 22 8:00 a.m. Tumor Conference, Aud., St. E.
All-day Alumni Day, YHA, Avalon Inn, Warren.
1:00 p.m. Med. V.P., Dr. Gabuzda, School of Nursing, St. E.
1:00 p.m. Surg., V.P.; Dr. Makley, OSU, Aud., St. E.
- Oct. 24 8:00 a.m. Tumor Conference, YHA.
9:00 a.m. Surgical Div., YHA
10:00 a.m. Film: "Surgical Considerations of Occlusive Disease of the Abdominal Aorta & Iliac & Femoral Arteries Catheter Technique for Arterial Embolectomy," YHA.
- Oct. 26 4:00 p.m. Medical Seminar: Begin the Pharmacology Series, A & B Blockers: A & B Stimulators, Drs. Bunn & Dewan, YHA.
- Oct. 29 8:00 a.m. CPC, Aud., St. E.
8:00 a.m. Med., Peds., YHA.
9:00 a.m. Tumor Conference, Aud., St. E.
1:00 p.m. Med. V.P., Dr. Rodnan, Aud., St. E.
- Oct. 31 8:00 a.m. Tumor Conference, YHA.
9:00 a.m. Surgical Div., YHA.
10:00 a.m. Film: "Reconstructive Surgical Procedures for Renal Arterial Stenosis with Hypertension. Functional Anatomy of the Human Kidney. Anatomy of the Elank," YHA.
- Nov. 3 8:30 p.m. Med., GP Sections, Aud., St. E.
7:30 p.m. OB-GYN, EENT Sections, Aud., St. E.
- Nov. 5 8:00 a.m. CPC, Aud., St. E.
8:00 a.m. V.P., B. C. Bonarigo, M.D., "Non Union of Pathological Fractures Following Radioation Therapy," YHA.
9:30 a.m. OB-GYN V.P., Dr. Aladjem, Aud., St. E.
12:30 p.m. Med. V.P., Dr. Danowski, Aud., St. E.
7:00 p.m. Medical Assistants Dinner, Hotel Ohio.
- Nov. 7 8:00 a.m. Tumor Conference, YHA.
8:00 a.m. Surgical Section, Aud., St. E.
9:00 a.m. Surgical Div., YHA.
10:00 a.m. Film: "Spenectomy, Indication and Technique," YHA.
- Nov. 9 4:00 p.m. Medical Seminar: "Isotopes in Clinical Medicine, Drs. Bennett & Javdan, YHA.
- Nov. 10 6:30 p.m. Council, Mahoning County Medical Society, Hotel Ohio.
7:30 p.m. Dental Section, Medical Library, St. E.
- Nov. 12 8:00 a.m. Tumor Conference, Aud., St. E.
9:30 a.m. Surgical V.P., Aud., St. E.
1:00 p.m. Medical V.P., Dr. Rotheram, Aud., St. E.
- Nov. 14 8:00 a.m. Tumor Conference, YHA.
9:00 a.m. Surgical Division, YHA.
10:00 a.m. Film: "Subtotal Gastrectomy for Duodenal Ulcer; Human Gastric Function," YHA.

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THIRTY YEARS AGO — OCTOBER 1940

President Poling said "Preparation for war is a stern reality." He appointed F. W. McNamara chairman of a new committee on Medical Preparedness, with Ralph Morrall, L. G. Coe, James Herald, A. E. Brant and Chas. H. Warnock to help him.

The Women's Auxiliary was organized and officers elected on September 25th. Mrs. R. M. Morrison was the first President. Mrs. C. D. Hauser was President-Elect, Mrs. John Heberding Vice-President, Mrs. John Noll, Secretary and Mrs. John McDonough, Treasurer.

Another new committee was appointed, headed by A. J. Brandt, as an advisory committee for the Auxiliary, with James Birch, W. K. Stewart, John McDonough, C. D. Hauser, Walter B. Turner, A. M. Rosenblum and O. J. Walker as members.

Dr. S. H. Davidow became a member. Dr. Barclay Brandmiller and Jean Elizabeth Richards were married Sept. 19th. Dr. and Mrs. Morris Neidus and the Saul Tamarkins celebrated the arrival of baby daughters.

TWENTY YEARS AGO — OCTOBER 1950

The Women's Auxiliary was busy getting the doctors out to vote in the November elections. President Nelson was concerned because so many were not even registered.

Morris Rosenblum was preparing for "Diabetes Week" in November and had Dr. Howard Root scheduled to come here from Boston as principal speaker. Morris was enrolled at the University of Pennsylvania for a course in internal medicine and was busy making preparations to leave.

C. A. Gustafson urged the doctors to help get out the vote by offering their cars for transportation of voters to the polls. Council passed a resolution recommending that doctors close their offices on election day.

Nothing was said about those sixty delinquent members. They must have scraped up the money somehow.

TEN YEARS AGO — OCTOBER 1960

President Schlecht wrote:

"The public is not aware that the necessity for an internship prior to practice always has been primarily a compulsion born of the conscience of physicians rather than a requirement of law. It is the same at the level of graduate medical education in residencies. Not a single state in this country has any legal requirements for the practice of specialties. It is the conscience of medicine that has established such requirements and standards through the AMA and various speciality groups.

"Similarly, hospital privileges granted physicians are misleading to patients who believe the doctor is master of all he surveys in traveling the hospital corridors. They should know that privileges imply responsibilities. Hospital privileges denote obligation, trust, duty and above all, accountability.

"Physicians themselves, without benefit of law, have been the dominating influence in striving for professional excellence, based on corporate discipline and a high ethical code in which we maintain personal independence.

"We believe most sincerely that our people would be greatly the losers if our professional freedom should be lost."

Editor Jack Schreiber wrote:

"There is in our midst a fine university with its highly qualified faculty. Could not the Medical Society working with the University evolve a special series of evening courses designed for the doctor? This could well be a worthy project for the Society in the coming months."

The Medical Society became incorporated on September 20.

Our exhibit at the Canfield Fair was a great success under the capable direction of Harlan McGregor and Fred Friedrich.

New members that month were: Hendrik Jacob W. Marcella, Armin Viarta Banez, Raul A. Hernandez, Morton Kalker, Paul Nick Pappas and John Tullai.

—J. L. F.

"DRUG ABUSE" WAS CANFIELD FAIR EXHIBIT

The nineteenth successive exhibit at the Canfield Fair by the Mahoning County Medical Society was by far the most successful in recent years. Selecting "Drug Abuse" for the display, the Medical Society played host to thousands in the theater which occupied one-fourth of the tent.

Fifteen physicians took turns on four-hour shifts to discuss the drug problem with fair-goers. Speakers were: Drs. G. E. DeCicco, R. W. Parry, S. W. Chiasson, S. V. Squicquero, W. H. Bunn, Jr., R. L. Jenkins, Jr., A. V. Banez, R. Abdu, C. Waltner, K. Wegner, F. A. Friedrich, J. Solana, I. Werbner, F. A. Resch and Jack Schreiber.

The movie, "Narcotics, Why Not?" was shown every hour with the physician answering questions immediately after the film. Twice a day a drug user was on hand through the sponsorship of the Mahoning County Sheriff's office.

Dr. H. P. McGregor, who had organized the Canfield Fair exhibits for many years, and who died on Sept. 3, the opening day of this year's Fair, was honored by a wreath placed in the exhibit area by a group of his physician friends.

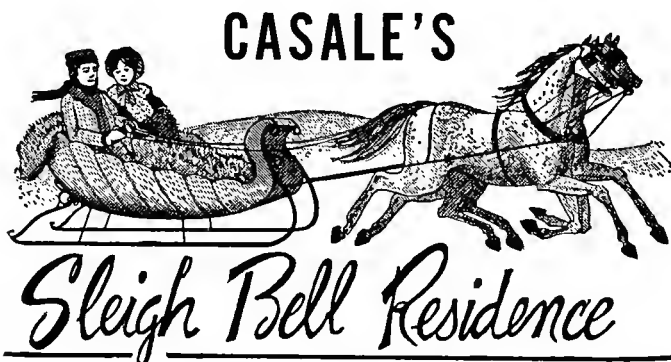
The 1970 exhibit was the last one to be held in the medical health tent. Next year's Medical Society exhibit will either be in one of the existing exhibit halls or in a proposed new building to house medical, science and industrial exhibitions on a permanent basis.

This year's exhibit was organized by the Canfield Fair Committee, Dr. Jack Schreiber, chairman, Dr. F. A. Friedrich, Dr. F. A. Resch, Dr. C. H. McGowen and Dr. C. C. White.

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Thursday, November 5, has been announced as the date for the annual Medical Assistants Dinner. This year the dinner will be held at the Hotel Ohio for the first time. Dr. William R. Johnson, program chairman, promises a big time for the girls, with entertainment, prizes and an excellent dinner. All doctors are urged to send all of their girls to this outstanding event. An invitational flyer is mailed to each physician's office. Please watch for it!

HIGH SCHOOL TRAINEES EMPLOYABLE

Physicians may be interested in the cooperative office occupational training program now being offered at all six city high schools. Students taking part in the program spend the mornings in school and the afternoons in gaining work experience in business offices. Doctors looking for part-time help might take advantage of this program.

The Choffin-sponsored program is a terminal course during the senior year. It provides for a minimum of fifteen hours of meaningful work experience for the student, who is supervised on the job by the employer and the teacher-coordinator. To be eligible, a student must be 16 or older, employable, and one who would benefit from the work experience.

The principal advantage to an employer is the availability of a trained assistant upon graduation of the student.

Interested employers should contact a high school counselor or the Choffin Vocational Center.

SALUTE TO PAST PRESIDENTS

At the beginning of another season, filled with prospective meetings, committee work and medical planning, we pause to honor those who have given guidance to the Mahoning County Medical Society in former years—the past presidents.

1927 R. W. Fenton	1957 S. W. Ondash
1929 W. H. Bennett	1958 A. A. Detesco
1933 J. P. Harvey	1959 M. W. Neidus
1935 J. L. Fisher	1960 F. G. Schlecht
1936 L. G. Coe	1961 A. K. Phillips
1943 W. H. Evans	1962 C. W. Stertzbach
1947 G. M. McKelvey	1963 Asher Randell
1948 John Noll	1964 Jack Schreiber
1949 J. N. McCann	1965 John J. McDonough
1950 G. G. Nelson	1966 F. A. Resch
1951 E. J. Wenaas	1967 H. J. Reese
1952 C. A. Gustafson	1968 R. R. Fisher
1953 V. L. Goodwin	1969 J. W. Tandatnick
1956 G. E. DeCicco	

MEDICAL SOCIETY CONGRESS TO MEET

The Congress of County Medical Societies, an organization emphasizing the private practice of medicine, will hold their convention in Cincinnati, Nov. 6, 7, and 8. The Mahoning County Medical Society is a member of the Congress, and all members receive the official publication, "Private Practice."

The convention will feature panels on new drugs, malpractice, medicare, and private practice vs. closed panel practice. Meetings will be held at the Netherland Hilton Hotel beginning at 1:00 p.m., Friday, with adjournment called for 10:30 a.m., Sunday.

LOCAL MAN WINS OSMA SCHOLARSHIP

One of two \$2,000 medical scholarships given annually by the Ohio State Medical Association was awarded to a Youngstown man this year.

John H. Surry, son of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy F. Surry, 3841 New Road, and a graduate of Ursuline High School received the scholarship. He completed his premedical studies this spring at John Carroll University and will enter St. Louis University this month.

In announcing the award, Dr. Richard L. Fulton, OSMA president, said the winners were selected for character, integrity, intelligence, maturity, leadership, need, scholastic ability and interest in community life.

October 17

J. Malkoff

October 18

C. A. Sarantopoulos

October 19

L. C. Zeller

October 20

U. A. Melaragno

October 24

H. E. Fusselman

October 25

P. L. Jones

October 28

I. H. Cheflen

M. M. Szucs

October 29

F. K. Inui

October 30

W. B. Turner

November 2

R. A. Abdu

November 3

D. R. Brody

R. J. Bocker

November 4

K. J. Hovanic

R. A. Hernandez

November 5

V. Lepore

November 6

L. O. Gregg

November 9

J. B. Birch

November 10

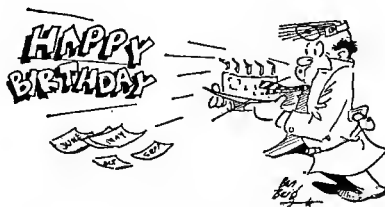
J. C. Melnick

November 11

H. Schmid

November 15

J. P. Kalfas



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BULLETIN BOARD

Doctors' daughters made the news recently when two of them won beauty honors on the same day. Miss Dierde Keyes, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Sidney Keyes, was named Miss Youngstown; and Miss Gayle Hovanic, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hovanic, was voted most photogenic at the Miss Petite America finals. Congratulations to two lovely young ladies!

Dr. A. E. Rappoport recently received two honors from Germany. He was granted honorable membership in the Deutsche Gesellschaft der Fachärzte fuer Laboratorium-diagnostik e. V. and the Deutsche Gesellschaft fuer angewandte Datenverarbeitung und Automation in der Medizin e. V.

Dr. L. P. Caccamo is the new Director of Medical Education for St. Elizabeth Hospital. The post had been vacant for several years, the work being done by the Medical Director, Dr. S. V. Squicquero. Dr. Edward Kessler continues in the position of Director of Education in Internal Medicine.

Dr. Jack Schreiber recently addressed the Ohio State Pharmaceutical Association, convening in Ocho Rios, Jamaica.

Dr. Gordon G. Nelson spoke on "Medicine and Religion" to the Youngstown Rotary Club.

An Ostomy Clinic has been established by Youngstown Hospital Association, set up by the Department of Protology under the supervision of Dr. Armin V. Banez, director of the protology services.

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—Dr. John Guju

MEDICAL SCHOOL CONSULTANT VISITS HERE

Representatives of the Mahoning County Medical Society, along with representatives of Youngstown State University and members of the citizens' committee for a medical school for Youngstown, met with Dr. William H. Stewart recently. Dr. Stewart is consultant to the Academy for Educational Development, Inc., which will recommend a location for the proposed medical school for Ohio.

Dr. Caccamo, head of the Medical Society Medical School Committee, accompanied Dr. Stewart as he visited the area's hospitals and the University.

Meeting with Dr. Stewart and Dr. Caccamo, were Dr. A. L. Pugsley, who hosted the meeting, William J. Brown, Dr. B. B. Burrowes, Dr. John J. Coffelt, Howard Duncan, Dr. Walter M. Greissinger, Judge Charles Henderson, Mayor Jack Hunter, Dr. Ed Kessler, Harry Meshel, Paul Mossman, Dr. Nicholas Paraska, Howard Rempes, Al Shipka, Dr. Charles Waltner and Dr. Robert Wiltsie.

ON THE MEDICARE FRONT

The following letter, received by the patient of a physician, was submitted by the physician for publication in the *Bulletin*:

Dear Mr. Blank:

Your request for reconsideration of previously disallowed charges has been referred to me for review.

Under the requirements of the Medicare law, Public Law 89-97, it is the responsibility of the Medicare administrator to make an allowance for a particular procedure based upon the prevailing rate in a given geographic area while, at the same time, giving due consideration to the customary charge of the physician as well as any extenuating circumstances involved in the service.

In December of 1968, the Social Security Administration directed the carriers to implement a freeze on any change made in physicians' fees. All carriers are to determine Medicare benefits on 1968 fee data until further instructions are received from the Social Security Administration.

If you are still dissatisfied with our determination, you have the right to request a Fair Hearing. The request should be in writing and should be sent to us within six (6) months from the date of this letter.

If we can be of further assistance to you, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely yours,
C. A. Henderson
Medical Review Committee
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PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

SEPTEMBER 10, 1970

The regular meeting of the Council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Thursday, Sept. 10, 1970, at the Hotel Ohio, Youngstown.

The following physicians were present: R. L. Jenkins, president, presiding; R. A. Abdu, Louis Bloomberg, B. P. Brucoli, G. E. DeCicco, Henry Holden, J. C. Melnick, J. V. Newsome, C. E. Pichette, Jack Schreiber, J. F. Stotler, J. W. Tandatnick, Kurt Wegner and L. J. Zehr.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the secretary dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting.

Bills were read. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that each bill be paid.

The any-doctor call report of the Medical Dental Bureau was passed around for each member to see.

Dr. Schreiber, chairman, reported for the Canfield Fair Committee, on the success of the Medical Society exhibit at the Fair. He announced that he would meet with the Fair Board on the subject of a building. Dr. Pichette made the motion, properly seconded, that a letter of sympathy be sent to Mrs. McGregor, expressing our appreciation for the work done by Dr. McGregor on behalf of the Medical Society.

In the absence of Dr. Caccamo, chairman, Dr. Jenkins reported for the Medical School Committee, and pronounced the medical school dinner to be a tremendous success.

A letter from Dr. Gelbman, concerning improved Blue Shield coverage for the physicians group, was referred to the Insurance Committee. Dr. Melnick announced that his committee had been conferring on possibilities for better insurance coverage.

A letter from the AMA, announcing Dr. Donald Berkowitz to be the Oct. 23 speaker on Nutrition at Youngstown State University, was noted.

A letter from PRO Services, offering an investment plan, was read. Council will not endorse the plan as a group, but PRO Services is free to solicit individual members.

Dr. Jenkins announced the appointment of two persons, Dr. Asher Randell and Howard Rempes, to the Delegate Assembly of the Health and Welfare Council of the Community Chest. Appointments were approved.

Dr. Jenkins announced the appointment of Dr. Zeve to a regional VD Committee. The appointment was approved.

Dr. Schreiber announced that he will be debating a chiropractor on the WFMJ "Sound-off" program, 7:45 p.m., Thursday, October 24.

Dr. Abdu, who had requested that "Drug Abuse" be put on the agenda, asked that it not be discussed at this point because of a lengthy discussion which took place before council convened.

Meeting was adjourned.

—Howard Rempes
Executive Secretary

DR. JENKINS QUOTED IN AMA NEWS

Once again, the Mahoning County Medical Society was quoted in the *AMA News*. This time, President Robert L. Jenkins spoke out on the direction physicians should take in the next two years, in his president's page for the May issue of the *Bulletin*. His advice was printed in the Aug. 24th issue of the *News*, under the heading, "The MD's Duty." He joins the long line of presidents and editors from Mahoning County who have conspicuously contributed to American medical thought.

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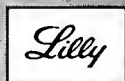
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